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FOLLOWING IS FULL TEXT OF WELCOMING STATEMENT BY COMMISSIONER
NGUZA ON THE ARRIVAL OF SECRETARY OF STATE KISSINGER IN KINSHASA

QUOTE MR. SECRETARY, AND MAY I SAY, DEAR FRIENDS,
SOMETIME AGO MY PRESIDENT PRESIDENT MOBUTU SESE
SEKO, SENT ME TO YOUR GREAT COUNTRY WHERE I HAD THE OPPORTUNITY, THE
HONOR AND PRIVILEGE TO BE RECEIVED BY PRESIDENT FORD, AND TO MEET
TWICE WITH YOU AT THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE. THIS PRIVILEGE HAS
TOUCHED VERY DEEPLY MY PRESIDENT AND THE PEOPLE OF MY COUNTRY.
OUR PRESIDENT, FOUNDER OF OUR MOVEMENT FOR THE POPULAR REVOLUTION,
PRESIDENT MOBUTU SESE SEKO, HAS ASKED THAT ON HIS BEHALF
I EXTEND TO YOU HIS GREETINGS OF WELCOME TO OUR AFRICAN
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LAND OF ZAIRE, A FRIEND OF THE UNITED STATES, A FRIEND OF

YOUR PRESIDENT AND A FRIEND OF YOU PERSONALLY. THIS WELCOME
COMES STRAIGHT FROM OUR HEART BECAUSE SINCE OUR INDEPENDENCE
THERE HAS BEEN BY OUR SIDE A PERMANENT FRIEND IN GOOD TIME AND
IN BAD TIMES. THE U.S. HAS STOOD BY OUR SIDE PERMANENTLY. IT
IS THEREFORE WITH GREAT JOY, PLEASURE AND GRATIFICATION THAT WE
WELCOME SECRETARY OF STATE KISSINGER, ONE OF THE MOST INFLUENTIAL
MEN IN THE WORLD TODAY, AND THE RIGHT ARMS OF THE PRESIDENT
OF THE U.S. YOUR VISIT TO AFRICA, SIR, COMES AT THE TIME OF
SPECIAL ECONOMIC CONDITIONS AND AT THE TIME OF SPECIAL CONDITIONS
PREVALING IN CENTRAL AFRICA AND IN SOUTHERN AFRICA. UNDER THOSE
CIRCUMSTANCES YOU ARE MEETING THE LEADERS OF THESE COUNTRIES AND
TOMORROW YOU WILL BE MEETING WITH MY OWN PRESIDENT. WE PLACE
GREAT HOPE UPON THE FACT THAT YOUR TALKS WITH OUR PRESIDENT WILL
ENABLE YOU TO WIDEN YOUR VIEWPOINTS, TO MEASURE AND TO ASSESS
AFRICAN POSITIONS IN GENERAL, AFRICAN POSITIONS MORE PARTICULARLY
IN THE CONTEXT OF CENTRAL AFRICAN POSITIONS MORE PARTICULARLY
IN THE CONTEXT OF CENTRAL AFRICA AND OF SOUTHERN AFRICA. WE
GREET TODAY A FRIEND OF ZAIRE. WE BID YOU WELCOME. UNQUOTE.
KISSINGER

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